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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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## AN ACT

To amend the Ukraine Freedom Support Act of 2014 to require the President to establish a semiconductor supply chain working group in response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine and submit reports to Congress on potential future disruptions to the supply chain.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1   **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Semicon-  
3   ductor Supply Chain Materials from Authoritarians Act”.

4   **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE UKRAINE FREEDOM SUP-  
5                    PORT ACT OF 2014.**

6       The Ukraine Freedom Support Act of 2014 (22  
7   U.S.C. 8921 et seq.) is amended—

8               (1) by redesignating section 11 as section 13;  
9               and

10              (2) by inserting after section 10 the following  
11              new sections:

12   **“SEC. 11. WORKING GROUP ON SEMICONDUCTOR SUPPLY  
13                    DISRUPTIONS.**

14       “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the  
15   date of the enactment of this section, the President shall  
16   establish an interagency working group to address semi-  
17   conductor supply chain issues caused by the Russia’s ille-  
18   gal and unprovoked attack on Ukraine.

19       “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The interagency working group  
20   established pursuant to subsection (a) shall be comprised  
21   of the head, or designee of the head, of each of the fol-  
22   lowing:

23               “(1) The Department of State.

24               “(2) The Department of Defense.

25               “(3) The Department of Commerce.

26               “(4) The Department of the Treasury.

1               “(5) The Office of the United States Trade  
2 Representative.

3                   “(6) The Department of Interior.

4                  “(7) The Department of Energy.

5               “(8) The Department of Homeland Security.

6                   “(9) The Department of Labor.

7           “(10) Any other Federal department or agency  
8       the President determines appropriate.

9       “(c) CHAIR.—The Secretary of State shall serve as  
10 the chair of the working group established pursuant to  
11 subsection (a).

12 "SEC. 12. REPORTS ON SEMICONDUCTOR SUPPLY CHAIN  
13 DISRUPTIONS.

14       “(a) REPORT ON IMPACT OF RUSSIA’S INVASION OF  
15 UKRAINE.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the  
16 enactment of this section, the Secretary of State shall sub-  
17 mit to the committees listed in subsection (b) a report of  
18 the interagency working group that—

19                   “(1) reviews and analyzes—

“(A) the impact of Russia’s unprovoked attack on Ukraine on the supply of palladium, neon gas, helium, and hexafluorobutadiene (C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>6</sub>); and

“(B) the impact, if any, on supply chains  
and the global economy;

1               “(2) recounts diplomatic efforts by the United  
2 States to work with other countries that mine, syn-  
3 thesize, or purify palladium, neon gas, helium, or  
4 hexafluorobutadiene (C4F6);

5               “(3) quantifies the actions resulting from these  
6 efforts to diversify sources of supply of these items;

7               “(4) sets forth steps the United States has  
8 taken to bolster its production or secure supply of  
9 palladium or other compounds and elements listed in  
10 paragraph (1)(A);

11               “(5) lists any other important elements, com-  
12 pounds, or products in the semiconductor supply  
13 chain that have been affected by Russia’s illegal at-  
14 tack on Ukraine; and

15               “(6) recommends any potential legislative steps  
16 that could be taken by Congress to further bolster  
17 the supply of elements, compounds, or products for  
18 the semiconductor supply chain that have been cur-  
19 tailed as a result of Russia’s actions.

20               “(b) COMMITTEES LISTED.—The committees listed  
21 in this subsection are—

22               “(1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the  
23 Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House  
24 of Representatives; and

1           “(2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and  
2       the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-  
3       portation of the Senate.

4           “(c) ANNUAL REPORT ON POTENTIAL FUTURE  
5       SHOCKS TO SEMICONDUCTOR SUPPLY CHAINS.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
7       after the date of the enactment of this section, and  
8       annually thereafter for 5 years, the Secretary of  
9       State shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Af-  
10      fairs of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
11      mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a report  
12      of the interagency working group that—

13           “(A) outlines and plans for the most likely  
14      future geopolitical developments that could se-  
15      verely disrupt global semiconductor supply  
16      chains in ways that could harm the national se-  
17      curity or economic interests of the United  
18      States;

19           “(B) forecasts the various potential im-  
20      pacts on the global supply chain for semi-  
21      conductors, and products that use semiconduc-  
22      tors, from the developments outlined pursuant  
23      to subparagraph (A), as well as the following  
24      contingencies—

- 1                         “(i) an invasion of Taiwan or geo-  
2                         political instability or conflict in East Asia;  
3                         “(ii) a broader war or geopolitical in-  
4                         stability in Europe;  
5                         “(iii) strategic competitors dominating  
6                         parts of the supply chain and leveraging  
7                         that dominance coercively;  
8                         “(iv) a future international health cri-  
9                         sis; and  
10                         “(v) natural disasters or shortages of  
11                         natural resources and raw materials;  
12                         “(C) describes the kind of contingency plans  
13                         that would be needed for the safe evacuation of  
14                         individuals with deep scientific and technical  
15                         knowledge of semiconductors and their supply  
16                         chain from areas under risk from conflict or  
17                         natural disaster; and  
18                         “(D) evaluates the current technical and  
19                         supply chain work force expertise within the

1           Federal government to carry out these assess-  
2           ments.”.

Passed the House of Representatives April 27, 2022.

Attest:                   CHERYL L. JOHNSON,  
*Clerk.*